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"The Cabinet has decided to accept their recommendations. Orders will be issued shortly, and a copy of the orders of Government containing details of the revised scales of pay and house rent allowance will be placed on the table of the House as soon as they are issued.

"(f) The immediate and ultimate extra recurring cost on account of the above recommendations are as follows:—

	Extra cost.	
	Immediate (46–47). RS. LAKHS.	Ultimate. RS. LAKHS.
Salaries of Subordinate Service	[a] 20·0	162·9
House rent allowance.	2·5	12·3
Total ..	22·5	175·2 per year."

* K. UPPI SAHIB BAHADUR:—"May I know with reference to answers to (a) and (c), how many of them are Muslims, Brahmans, Non-Brahmans and Christians?"

THE HON. SRI T. PRAKASAM:—"It is very difficult to answer without notice."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO:—"May I know, Madam, whether it was not the practice in the past to place on the table of the House a list of officers created carrying salaries above a certain amount?"

THE HON. SRI T. PRAKASAM:—"I do not know about the practice in the past; it would be done hereafter."

Scheme for yarn distribution.

* 92 Q.—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state what the scheme for yarn distribution is to which the Hon. the Prime Minister referred in his speeches in the Legislature?

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI:—"The existing scheme of yarn distribution is detailed below:—

In April 1945, the Textile Commissioner, Bombay, introduced a scheme known as the All-India Yarn Distribution Scheme under which this Province was allowed to retain 21,305 bales of yarn. This allocation has been made on the following basis. According to the Fact Finding Committee, Madras, consumed in the year immediately preceding the outbreak of the war 26·05 per cent of the yarn available for handlooms in India and this proportion has been adopted in fixing the yarn quota for this Province. Efforts are being made to get the quota of this Province enhanced.

[a] This is exclusive of the extra cost involved in the grant of bonus sanctioned to the non-gazetted Government servants estimated at Rs. 50 lakhs (in lieu of retrospective effect to revised scales originally proposed by the Committee).

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" Since August 1944, the available supplies of yarn have been rationed equitably among the handlooms all over the Province. Yarn quotas have been fixed for each district, and what is sent to each district is distributed to the weavers through a chain of distributors consisting of quota-holders, sub-wholesalers and retailers who between them charge a profit margin ranging from 10 to 15 per cent over the ex-mill price. Yarn sent to each centre is distributed through the dealers in proportion to their turn over in the past. The supply of yarn to each handloom is made against ration cards which specify the quantities and counts of yarn which the loom is entitled to receive and the retail dealer who should make the supply.

" The Village, Taluk, Town and District Committees recently constituted by the Government will assist the officers of the Textile Control Department in enforcing the yarn control measures.

" The attention of the hon. member is also invited to the proceedings No. 4653, Development, dated 19th December 1946, and No. 4696, Development, dated 23rd December 1946, of the Government reorganizing the administration of the Textile Control Department and directing organization of Weavers Co-operative Societies. Copies of these proceedings have been placed on the table of the House."

K. UPPI SAHIB BAHADUR :—" What is the rate of profit allowed to the middlemen? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" I think about $18\frac{3}{4}$ per cent."

K. UPPI SAHIB BAHADUR :—" Throughout the whole process of distribution? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" That is what we have fixed. Hitherto it was 29 per cent but now it is $18\frac{3}{4}$ only."

K. UPPI SAHIB BAHADUR :—" To these middlemen—the post office through which the yarn goes to the consumer—what does the post office get? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" I would like to have a separate question about post office mentioned by the hon. member."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Is it a fact that in one of proceedings referred to by the Hon. Minister a scheme has been promulgated indirectly compelling every weaver to join a co-operative society? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" We desire them to join."

Assistant Commissioners of Textiles.

* 93 *Q.*—ABDUL LATIF FAROOKHI SAHIB BAHADUR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of the posts of Inspecting Assistant Commissioners of Textiles created recently ;